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9 March 1974

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
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Dear Mr. Newman,

Coming upon your paper, "A Recently Discovered Coin Solves a Vermont Numismatic Enigma", in the ANS Centennial Volume has brought me particular pleasure, for which I want to send you special thanks.

You see, while long interested in Vermont ... born in the house where I am now living, a Senior Honors Essay at Amherst College in the Spring of 1936 on Vermont history, and member of the Vermont General Assembly (first a Representative, now a Senator) since 1961, as examples to support the claim ... I am only very recently come to numismatics. And I am having a ball learning about the 1781 Vermont currency and the 1785-1788 Vermont coppers!

Should I ask whether you have pursued your interest in the Vermont area and retained your collection of Vermont things?

Dick Picker has been ever helpful to me, as indeed have been Ken Bressett, Bob Vlack, Jim Spilman, and others. Recently I was privileged to see the lovely collection of a gentleman with 37 of the 39 known varieties (counting in the Connecticut Miller 1-I that some are nowadays in effect calling Richardson-Ryder #39 of the Vermont series).

In the year or so of my activity, my collection has come to include 28 or 29 varieties, which means, of course, that I am now bumping on the real toughies. I would be most grateful for any steers you have to offer, directions to point, comments to make, or indeed a whisper of any Vermont coppers with which you were willing to part.

Does your supply of reprints of that article in the Centennial Volume admit of my purchasing one or two? I would ever so much like to have at least a copy on the shelf with the references I am gathering about the Vermont coppers and such.

With appreciation for your research energies and scholarship, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Sanborn Partridge

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

June 19, 1975

Mr. Sanborn Partridge
Proctor, Vermont 05765

Dear Mr. Partridge:

Your nice Vermont article in the Colonial Newsletter is at hand and you must have had fun writing it. I have had to calculate each Early American issue.

I want to clarify a point. The rumor about the Vermont sheet had previously come to me as I was alleged to be the reputed owner. I wish I were. It is possible that the rumor arose from my giving the 3,600 pieces after each denomination. The rumor has no foundation so far as I know. Where did you get it?

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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23 June 1975

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
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Dear Mr. Newman,

How nice to have your letter, with its
tangible reminder of your interest in Vermont numismatics.

As you were made aware, the trigger to
your phone call the other day caught me wholly by surprise
... but my copy of the Colonial News Letter has now come.
Glad I could remember as much as I did off the top of my
head in talking with you.

The Vermont sheet rumor, as best I can
recall, surfaced in chatter with someone in NYC, either
a professional, or more likely a fellow attendee at some
auction. I tucked the notion away in memory's file ...
that is what caught my attention, rather than who was
saying it, so I cannot attribute it. I do remember at
the time of writing the little essay speculating on whether
mention of the rumor was a disservice to anyone and the
subject, but concluding that it might smoke the matter out.

Too bad you have to report "no foundation".

Let down recently over what seemed an
exciting possibility, namely the suggestion by a caption
under a drawing of two gents in a mint that the Vermont

Historical Society had Reuben Harmon's dies and money scales in its collections. The book was "The Vermont Story" by Earle Newton, who was the VHS Director at the time of writing the book, and so should have had every opportunity to know whereof he spoke. I flew to the phone, but alas it turns out that the moneyscale belonged to Vermont's second Treasurer (the Mattox who signs fiscal paper with a Tinnmouth, Vermont, address back in the 1780s) and the dies were definitely of something else. The current Acting Director checked accession lists and verified physically ... so that is that.

As a matter of interest, he gave it as his understanding that the dies were the only extant set of revenue stamp dies for 1799, as I recall it, that the U.S. furnished to states back then.

Thank you for your comments on metal flow lines and "field radials" and "die stress" and all that.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sanborn Partridge". The signature is fluid and elegant, with the first name "Sanborn" and last name "Partridge" clearly distinguishable.

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11 Feb. 1979

Dear Mr. Newman,

How very nice to see new honors
come your way, meaning the latest recognition
from ANS!

I of course got the "blue volume"
you edited for the ANS as a bicentennial effort.
It is clearly a fine volume. Also of course,
I've chewed much on Ken Bressett's chapter about
Vermont coppers. One or more of the illustrations
are from my holdings.

With the holidays and the start of
Vermont's legislature both looming I did not
get down to NYC and have only begun to catch up
on reading. Thus I discover you gave a talk on
Dec. 11 last on "Forgeries of Russian Platinum Coins".
Would it be possible to get a copy of your remarks?

Happens I have a trilogy: A) N 1868
Isabella II of Spain, B) PT version with gilding nearly complete,
C) PT version with no trace of gilding. Got them in reverse
order, and, wow, was it slow and hard to find the original
gold coin that started the matter!

All good wishes,

Sanborn Partridge

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

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February 19, 1979

Mr. Sanborn Partridge
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Dear Mr. Partridge:

It was very thoughtful for you to write me with respect to the Huntington Award. When one enjoys doing research and writing, it is so strange to receive that type of recognition.

I am glad that you got satisfaction from the Bicentennial book which I edited.

It was not I who spoke on forgeries in New York, it was my namesake from England. Much of his material is published by the international organization on counterfeits sponsored by the Professional Numismatists.

You may be familiar with the fact that the Green Press which printed paper money from Massachusetts, Connecticut and Vermont is being revitalized for the Vermont Bicentennial. This is the first press brought to America.

My kindest regards and thanks.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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30 Oct. 1980

Dear Mr. Newman,

The enclosed is barely from the printer, despite its designation in the Quarterly series.

You'll soon enough see that the article was intended for a general history audience and by no means displaces Ken Bressett's opus on Vermont coffees. It does try to give a broad look at Vermont paper & notes in the days of the Republic. The Publications Committee was generous about wanting illustrations ... & composed the bookings with a few interventions by me, mostly to try & match the blurbs to the plates.

Believe you may find the bibliography as complete as any ... in part by referring to a couple of things you cite that I've not myself seen.

Your kind response on Vermont notes is still recalled with grateful appreciation. You'll notice that there are no attributions about the things photographed, for I didn't think I'd give that certainty. But they are all part of my stuff. And I thought it prudent not to name you or John Ford on having all eight of the note denominations.

With very best wishes,

Sandy Partridge

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November 4, 1980

Mr. Sanborn Partridge
62 Ormsbee Avenue
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Dear Mr. Partridge:

You were very thoughtful to send me your article on Vermont Numismatics. I read it carefully and I know how much satisfaction you received in presenting the subject in all of its phases. I was not familiar with the newspaper items you mentioned in 1870. They are quite a tirade.

Insofar as fiscal paper becoming money, I cannot go along with this. Fiscal paper is part of the economic life, but certainly is not currency in the Vermont situation.

Thank you very much for the nice things you said about me and some of my writing.

Your bibliography is a gem.

My kindest regards,

Eric P. Newman

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SANBORN PARTRIDGE
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23 March 1981

Mr. Eric P. Newman
St. Louis

Dear Mr. Newman,

Before me lies the COIN WORLD account (25 March 1981) of the new money museum in St. Louis that clearly had to be masterminded by you. The pictures equally make it appear splendid, imaginative, and highly educational. Certainly I shall hope to see it.

Meanwhile, let me offer my congratulations. You've "done it again"!

Sincerely yours,
Sanborn Partridge

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April 1, 1981

Mr. Sanborn Partridge
62 Ormsbee Ave.
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Dear Mr. Partridge:

You were very thoughtful to write me about the opening of the Money Museum in St. Louis. I look forward to your coming to see it. I appreciate your congratulations and hope that something nice has been done for the public.

Cordially,

Eric P. Newman

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

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January 2, 1991

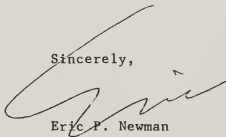
Mr. Sanborn Partridge
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Dear Sanborn:

Congratulations on completing your 1781 Vermont paper money set. You deserve to have them in view of your devotion to your state. Now all you have to do is get your Vermont coppers complete!

My best for the new year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Eric P. Newman', with a large, sweeping initial 'E'.

Eric P. Newman

EPN:bv

31 Jan. 1991

Dear Mr. Newman,

Thank you for your kind letter of earlier this month.

Indeed I would like to carry out your "suggestion" about completing the Vermont coppers!

However, guess one can forget about Ryder-Richardson # "40", with the only known specimen in the Smithsonian collection.

But what about RR # 33 + RR # "37"? Could you lead me to them? Perhaps you know sources for them?

Do I guess that you yourself have been eclectic about Vermont coppers, rather than comprehensive? So perhaps you yourself have them?!

Best wishes,

Sanborn Partridge

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17 March 1981

Dear Mr. Newman,

Just now I was reading again your chapter on Vermont in The Early Paper Money of America + so became reacquainted with your listing four (4) names as signers. "Peter Alcott" is the signature I have no track of in my census. Is it possible that name was simply a later endorsement? or is it listed in the Legislative Act (not yet seen by me, but sent for)? or have you yourself seen a specimen?

In my personal holdings the signatures run thus:

Walbridge 1 st , Porter 2 nd	2 specimens
Walbridge 1 st , Fasset 2 nd	7 specimens
Porter 1 st , Fasset 2 nd	6 specimens
Porter 1 st , Walbridge 2 nd	1 specimen
Fasset 1 st , Porter 2 nd	1 specimen

Postman just delivered xeroxes from Sec'y of State (Archives) + therein appears to be the answer. Copy for you.

Could you kindly shed any light?

Sincerely yours,

Sanborn Partridge

SECRETARY OF STATE
MONTPELIER, VERMONT

LAWS OF
VERMONT

1781-1784

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powered to call a special Court, upon any extraordinary Occasion, within his respective County; Any Law, usage, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

II. And be it further enacted, that the Judges of the said County Courts in their respective Counties, shall have power to appoint a County Treasurer, and State's Attorney, for the County: And the said County Treasurer, when thereto required by the County Court, shall become bound to the Treasurer of the State, with two Sureties, such as the said Court shall approve, in the penal Sum of two thousand Pounds lawful Money; which Surety shall be renewed when, and so often as, the said Court shall require.

III. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that no Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, in any Action of Assault and Battery, or Trespass on the case, shall be allowed for Costs, more than the Damage recovered, unless such Damage shall exceed the Sum of six Pounds.

AN ACT DIRECTING BRIGADIER GENERALS TO MAKE RETURNS
OF THEIR BRIGADES.

APRIL 14TH 1781

Whereas by a late Act of this Assembly forming the Regiments of Militia of this State into Brigades, it is found that a more regular way of making Returns of the state of said Militia, to the Captain General, is necessary:

I. Therefore Be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted, by the Representatives of the freemen of the State of Vermont, in General Assembly met, and by the Authority of the same, that the Brigadier General of each Brigade, shall, some time in May annually, (and at other times when called on by the Captain General, or Board of War) make a return to the Board of War, of the State of the Militia (including the Alarm list) of their several Brigades, as well as commissioned Officers, as non-commissioned Officers and Privates, in such forms and Columns, as shall be ordered by the Board of War; and that the same shall be transmitted to the Captain General.

II. And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that each and every Brigadier General refusing or neglecting to comply with this Act as aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay the Sum of one hundred Pounds lawful Money; and that each Colonel or Commanding Officer

of each Regiment, when called on as aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay, for each neglect, the Sum of fifty Pounds; And each Captain or Commanding Officer of each Company in the several Regiments, neglecting to make returns as aforesaid to his Colonel or Commanding Officer, shall forfeit and pay twenty five Pounds: all which Fines and Penalties shall be prosecuted by the Attorney General, or the State's Attorney of the County where the offence is committed, and paid into the State's Treasury: Any Law, Usage or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

AN ACT FOR THE PURPOSE OF EMITTING A SUM OF MONEY, AND
DIRECTING THE REDEMPTION OF THE SAME.

APRIL 14TH 1781

Whereas it is found necessary, for the purpose of carrying on the War, and the Payment of the public Debts of this State, as well as for enlarging the quantity of circulating Medium, to emit a Sum adequate to the several necessary purposes, in Bills, on the Credit of this State.

I. Therefore Be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted, by the Representatives of the freemen of the State of Vermont, in General Assembly met, and by the Authority of the same, that there be forthwith printed, under the Inspection of Matthew Lyon, Edward Harris, and Ezra Styles, Esquires, a Committee for that Purpose, Bills to the Amount of twenty-five thousand one hundred and fifty five Pounds lawful Money; for the Payment of this State's Debts, and other public Purposes; Which Bills shall be an equal numbers of three Pounds, forty Shillings, twenty Shillings, ten Shillings, five Shillings, two Shillings and six penny, one Shilling and three penny, and one Shilling Bills. Which Committee shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their Office, and are empowered to make a Device and Form for said Bills.

II. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that said Bills, when so printed, shall be by the aforesaid committee delivered to the honorable John Fassel, Ebenezer Walbridge, and Thomas Porter, Esquires, a Committee for signing and numbering said Bills: Which last said Committee shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their Duty, and shall receipt said Bills to the aforesaid Committee, and shall sign and number said Bills, and deliver them to the Treasurer, taking his Receipt for the aforesaid Sum in Bills, of twenty five thousand one hundred and fifty five Pounds. Which Bills shall be a lawful Tendency for the Payment on all Contracts, Executions, &c. as lawful Money, ac-

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March 22, 1991

Dear Sanborn,

My research shows Peter Olcott as a signer whether authorized or actual I cannot now determine.

The collections examined containing Vermonts included:

Chapman (now John Ford)
Cohen (now Ford Museum)
American Numismatic Society
New York Historical Society
American Antiquarian Society
Eric P. Newman Collection.

I hope this is helpful. I'll see you on May 4, 1991 in New York.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman